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SERVICE DATE - JANUARY 26, 1999

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DECISION

Finance Docket No. 32479

CADDO ANTOINE AND LITTLE MISSOURI RAILROAD COMPANY—
FEEDER LINE ACQUISITION—
ARKANSAS MIDLAND RAILROAD COMPANY LINE
BETWEEN GURDON AND BIRDS MILL, AR

No. 41230

G.S. ROOFING PRODUCTS COMPANY, INC. ET AL V. ARKANSAS MIDLAND
RAILROAD ET AL.

Finance Docket No. 32625

DARDANELLE & RUSSELLVILLE RAILROAD COMPANY — TRACKAGE RIGHTS
COMPENSATION — ARKANSAS MIDLAND RAILROAD COMPANY

Decided: January 25, 1999

By letter dated January 13, 1999, the Board was advised by Richard Streeter, counsel for the shippers in these cases, that efforts to settle the issues in the three above-mentioned proceedings have failed. Counsel's letter also suggested a manner for handling these proceedings by the Board and a proposed decision for entry by the Board in Finance Docket No. 32479 was enclosed.

Counsel's letter and the proposed decision will be docketed as a motion to govern further proceedings in each of the above-referenced dockets, and a copy of the proposed decision in Finance Docket No. 32479 will be filed in that proceeding. This will allow Arkansas Midland Railroad 20 days from the date of service of this decision to respond.

It is ordered:

1. The shippers' January 19, 1999 letter and proposed decision in Finance Docket No. 32479 are accepted for filing. The letter will be docketed as a motion to govern further proceedings in each of the three above-referenced dockets and a copy of the proposed decision in Finance Docket No. 32479 will be filed in that proceeding.

2. Replies to the letter and proposed decision are due February 17, 1999.

Finance Docket No. 32479, et al.

3. This decision is effective on the service date.

By the Board, Vernon A. Williams, Secretary.

Vernon A. Williams
Secretary